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## 2020-21 Every Kid Outdoors Pass Will Feature Students from Jefferson Elementary School, San Diego Unified School District

[Chula Vista, California]— The 2020-2021 Every Kid Outdoors pass will feature a photo of 4<sup>th</sup> grade students from Jefferson Elementary School enjoying bird watching at the San Diego Bay National Wildlife Refuge.



With the Every Kid Outdoors annual pass, fourth graders can bring their families and friends on outdoor adventures free for a full year! Here in San Diego, they can enjoy the opportunities to hike along the easy-to-walk Bayside Birding and Walking Trail at the San Diego Bay National Wildlife Refuge, learn about the rich history of San Diego at Cabrillo National Monument, or explore the meadows and forests of the Cleveland National Forest. To obtain the pass, fourth

graders can visit the Every Kid Outdoors website, complete a short educational activity and download a voucher that may be exchanged for a pass at participating federal lands or water sites. Fourth graders, get your pass here: <https://everykidoutdoors.gov/index.htm> It's always free to visit the local National Wildlife Refuges in San Diego County. Please see the Cabrillo National Monument at <https://www.nps.gov/cabr/planyourvisit/conditions.htm> and Cleveland National Forest at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/cleveland/> for more information on visiting these locations.

Chantel Jimenez, Urban Refuge Coordinator, "Having Jefferson Elementary School students join us at the San Diego Bay National Wildlife Refuge for a morning of birdwatching and studying nature was a wonderful example of how the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, our many partners, and local schools are working together to create a lifelong bond between children, youth, and families with nature and the outdoors."

The San Diego National Wildlife Refuges are on the door step of over 3 million residents. Set aside for wildlife, but mindful of their value to the dense urban neighborhoods and communities as a place for people to connect again with the outdoors, the Service initiated the SoCal Urban Wildlife Refuge Project in 2014. Since then, the SoCal Urban Wildlife Refuge Project has provided opportunities for youth and young adults to ride mountain bikes at the San Diego National Wildlife Refuge, restore native habitats at the San Diego Bay National Wildlife Refuge, learn about the California condor at the Hopper Mountain National Wildlife Refuge, or participate in community cleanup projects along the Los Angeles River.

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